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REQUEST FOR COMMENT - PROPOSED JURIEN BAY HELICOPTER SCENIC FLIGHTS



It is advised that the Shire of Dandaragan has received a development application from Turquoise Coast Helicopters for the operation of 10-20 minutes coastal helicopter scenic flights from the Jurien Bay Airport. Initially the proponent envisages operating only during weekend daylight hours (after 8am) where weather permits. Additional weekday flights may be sought during peak tourist times.

A Bell 47 G3 B1 Helicopter shown here will be used, this type of helicopter was used in TV shows such as Skippy and MASH, and in movies such as Crocodile Dundee.

Any comments that you may wish to make on the proposal must be submitted to the Shire of Dandaragan in writing or email to council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au by 4.00pm Friday 9th April 2021.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Cr Leslee Holmes
Ph. 0408 419 468

It is with a heavy heart that I write my monthly message to you all today. As you will no doubt have heard, a young Italian skydiver lost his life in a tragic accident on Sunday in Jurien Bay. He was an adventure seeker and veteran of 6000 jumps but unfortunately he passed away as a result of an equipment malfunction. Our hearts go out to his family at this sad time and I am sure that all our citizens will feel the same way about the tragic loss of a man at such a young age. He was doing what he loved and his friends praised him for his bravery and sense of adventure. We also feel great sadness for Peter and his staff at Jurien Bay Skydive. They were in no way connected to the accident as the sky divers were competing in a national competition at the time and responsible for their own equipment. Jurien Bay Skydive is a marquee tourism business for Jurien Bay and we are so proud of the professional way they operate. Christine Sparrow was asked by a reporter when was the last time they had a bad accident and she was pleased to say after 100,000 jumps, never.

This has been a week of great highs and lows and after all the excitement of the election we see the protests focused on the treatment of women taking stage in our major cities.

.I don't think our governments at any level will be able to allow this to continue and it is something that we all need to consider how we can contribute to solutions. I am hoping that this government, that has been elected in a landslide will now tackle some of the important issues that lead to family violence and make a mark on the dreadful homelessness we are seeing all over our state. To see homeless families with little children living in tents is just not good enough in such a wealthy state. The voters have placed a great responsibility in our Premier and his team and we look forward to working with them to our shared bright future.

I was reminded again last week of just how fortunate we are to be free. Many of us have now returned to our offices and places of work. While working from home had its advantages I know of many dads who are glad to be away from the day to day drudgery of the family home and back to the orderly office escape. However, I had a chat to my lovely niece who is a magazine editor in The Cotswolds in UK. She is not back in the office after 13 months and is now acting as boss, confidant and mother superior to some of her young staff who are just so lonely and lost, being separated from their workmates. In the U.K. so many people live in little bedsits that you can't swing a cat in and the office is the hub of their lives. Apart from working they go out to coffee, lunch and often in the case of the young and free, out for a drink after work. This has not been possible for so long now that they are starting to get very depressed. Trying to work from home in a confined space with no company must be so awful for everyone who finds themselves in that position.

Meetings are important as it is relationships, not merely acts of collaboration that creates trust between co-workers. My niece tells me that personal interactions lead to commitment, support and co-operation in her business and she is bearing the load of keeping them all mentally healthy.

Recently I had the pleasure of going to Albany with staff Brent Bailey, Scott Clayton, David Chidlow and Councillors, Rudy Rybarczyk, Ann Eyre and Jason Clarke. The reason for the visit to my old home town was to see how they had improved the coastal foreshore at Middleton Beach to mitigate future coastal inundation events and learn from the mistakes of the past at Emu Point. The City of Albany Mayor Dennis Wellington and his senior staff looked after us for what proved to be a very long, informative day. We were shown many of the great improvements the town has enjoyed and were very impressed at their plans for the future. They have a massive budget compared to ours and we were very fortunate to begin a relationship with them where they will share knowledge so that we can leverage their work on our projects and make good decisions for the future.

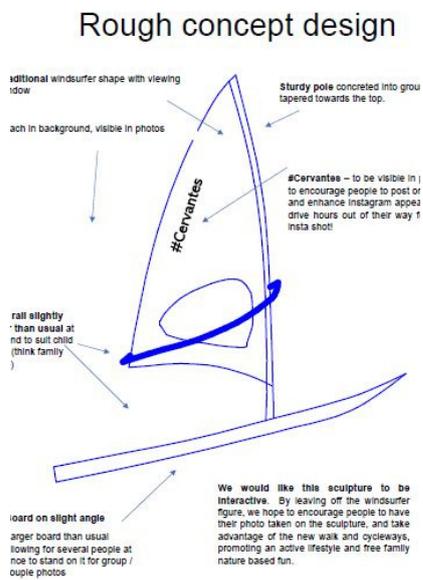
Albany put on the usual weather that I remember so well and the day started with a big thunderstorm that saw us evacuating the Council offices in the middle of morning tea.



We were allowed back in some time later and in the afternoon the sun shone. Four seasons in one day is exactly how I remember it. We are currently working on a master plan for Jurien Bay CBD and we were very impressed with the focus on the main street that has happen in Albany. We will be bringing you some very exciting plans for the revitalisation of the Jurien Bay CBD in the near future following on from consultation undertaken on the project earlier in the year.

I am happy to see the skate park is moving along nicely and we are all keen to see this facility open and enjoyed by everyone. The new nature playground in Dobbyn Park is also about to start construction which will see this family precinct completed over the coming months. The playground is a custom design being undertaken by the same builders that constructed the Badgingarra and "Pirate Park" facility. Local contractors will also commence works on the Roberts Street / Heaton Street intersection works as we continue to make progress on the overall foreshore redevelopment project.

A new fabulous piece of art has appeared in Cervantes. The kitesurfer/windsurfer is the brainchild of Brad Pepper and Shaun Turbett from Cervantes Aluminium and Steel Fabrication. This is going to be an iconic place for all to have their photo taken in action. Many thanks to Shaun for producing a world class piece.



Concept design



Galvanising Bath



Installation with Brad Pepper



Finished Project

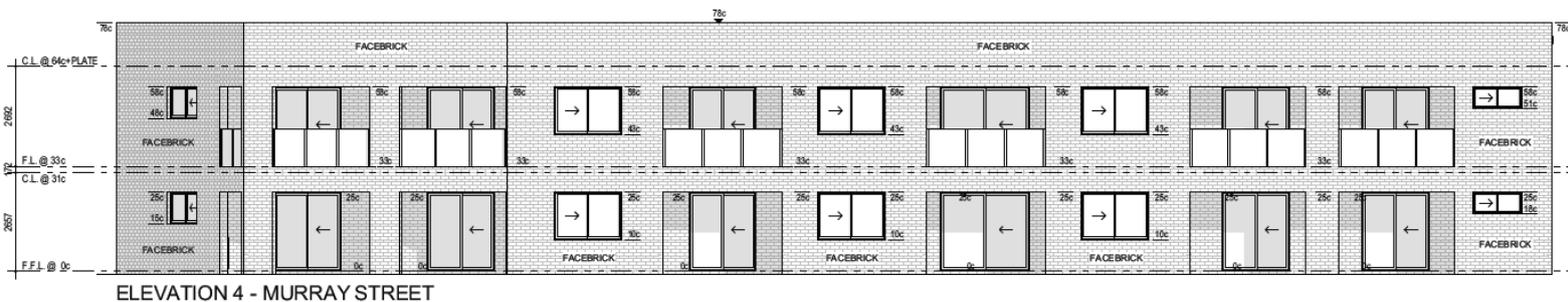
I hope that all our towns benefit from travellers during the Easter Break and that everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday.



SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN'S NEWEST AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS

Pictured above l-r: Liis Melesk, Diego Da Silva, Carazone Lapuz, Marina, Jason and Dalibor Matura and Robbie Moaho who all became Australian Citizens at a ceremony conducted by Shire President Leslee Holmes on Thursday 25 February 2021 in the presence of Councillors, family and friends. Congratulations to you all.

REQUEST FOR COMMENT - PROPOSED JURIEN BAY MOTEL APARTMENTS EXPANSION



It is advised that the Shire of Dandaragan has received a development application for the expansion of the Jurien Bay Motel Apartments upon 3 (Lot 104) Murray Street, Jurien Bay. The expansion proposes the addition of 9x one-bedroom rooms, 6x two-bedroom rooms, 2x three-bedroom rooms, shared laundry facilities, and associated vehicle parking and landscaping.

Plans of the development are available for viewing at the Jurien Bay Administration Centre.

Any comments that you may wish to make on the proposal must be submitted to the Shire of Dandaragan in writing or email to council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au by 4.00pm Friday 9th April 2021.



ADMINISTRATION / LIBRARY & VISITORS CENTRE OPENING HOURS

Current opening hours to the walk-in public for the Shire of Dandaragan Administration Centre / Library & Visitors Centre are Monday - Friday from 9am - 4pm. If you would like to meet with a staff member outside of these opening hours, please call or email to make an appointment.

STAFF ON THE MOVE

Donald Main

The Shire of Dandaragan would like to farewell Don who has decided to retire after working with the Parks and Gardens Crew in Jurien Bay. Don commenced employment with the Shire on 13 May 2013 after making the seachange from Northam to Jurien Bay. He retired earlier this month.

Councillors and staff wish him all the best in his retirement more time for Bonsai and fishing. He is pictured here with his wife Rhonda.



Robbie Moaho

Robbie (Will) has said farewell to the Shire and Jurien Bay moving to Mundijong for family reasons. He came to Jurien Bay seven years ago and started work with the Shire a short time later. He left the Shire in late January. Before leaving Jurien Bay he became an Australian Citizen at a ceremony held on 25 February 2021.

Councillors and staff wish him and his family all the best with his move to Mundijong.



Denaye Kerr

Denaye has decided to spread her wings and make a move accepting a position with the Shire of Chittering.

She has been a valued employee and colleague with the Shire of Dandaragan for the past 10 years firstly as Council Secretary and currently as Executive Secretary.

Councillors and staff wish Denaye and her son Maverick all the best with their new adventure in Bindoon.

Goodbye & Good Luck

Council
Meeting

BADGINGARRA COUNCIL MEETING - THURSDAY 22 APRIL 2021

The 22 April 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at the Badgingarra Community Centre commencing at 4.00pm. Should there be any items you feel require Council's attention please contact Robyn Headland at the Jurien Bay Administration Centre via email council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au or phone 9652 0800 by Monday 12 April 2021. We look forward to hearing from you.

OUR WHEELIE COOL BIKE REPAIR STATION



Following the recent installation of our very unique bike rack in Catalonia Park, Cervantes now hosts a brand new bike repair station as the final stage of the Shire's WABN Cervantes Townsite Connectivity Project, delivered in partnership with the Department of Transport (DoT).

This station consists of a bike repair stand, with accompanying counterbalanced tools, a bike pump with gauge, and wheel chock to support bikes while using the bike pump.

Following a recent announcement, additional DoT funding has also been secured for 2021/2022 financial year to continue to extend the dual use pathways from Ronsard Bay to Seville Street Cervantes. Adding this type of infrastructure helps improve the experiences of all cyclists while also encouraging cycling as an extremely fun mode of transport.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - LOCAL MATERIALS FOR NATURE PLAYGROUND



The Shire is seeking expressions of interest from the community to contribute various materials to the new Jurien Bay Foreshore Nature Playground. This is an exciting opportunity to leave your mark on the future of the local community and will enhance the local feel of the playground development. If you or a friend has any of the following items lying around your yard or farm we would LOVE to hear from you:- Naturally formed granite or smooth limestone boulders- Hardwood timber (particularly local wandoo, tuart or past jetty materials) for seating areas and playground panels.- An old dinghy (tinny or fibreglass)- Thick marine rope- Old timber fence posts- Old boat winch / large propellers / anchors- Any other relics of the past that may be suitable for a nature play environment. If you have anything you have and would like to share, please comment with a photo of the item below, email the photo and description to mccs@dandaragan.wa.gov.au, or call 9652 0800 to discuss what you have.

SPRAY THE GREY IS BACK!



SMARTER THAN SMOKING

Spray the Grey

Youth Festival 2021

WED 7 APRIL 2021, 11AM - 4PM
JURIEN BAY FORESHORE



Government of Western Australia
Department of Communities



The Smarter than Smoking Spray the Grey Youth Festival is just about here!

Save the date and share in the fun on the foreshore with your friends and family this April school holidays!

Fauntleroy Park - Jurien Bay Foreshore
Wednesday 7 April 2021
11am - 4pm



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HARMONY WEEK - EVERYONE BELONGS



In honour of Harmony week's theme of "everyone belongs" and the diverse cultural community that is The Shire Of Dandaragan we would like to gather your family recipes to create a recipe book to represent your families heritage.

To participate and share your families history and culture please email your recipes and any family photos and history you would like to include to jblibrary@dandaragan.wa.gov.au or drop in to any of the Shires four libraries.

Thanks in advance for your participation.

West Australian Opera presents OPERA IN THE PINNACLES

West Australian Opera is proud to present Opera in the Pinnacles, in the iconic location of Nambung National Park.

Be moved by the powerful voices of West Australian Opera artists in this immersive opera experience under the starry sky and on the deserts sands. Sing along to showstopping arias in a concert of well-known operatic hits. This is an event experience for the entire family to enjoy.

Date and running times

6.00pm Saturday 1 May 2021
6.00pm – Concert commences
6.50pm – Interval (30 minutes)
7.20pm – Concert resumes
8.00pm – Concert concludes

Booking link

www.waopera.asn.au/shows/events/opera-in-the-pinnacles/

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